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1. Bolivian mine labor leaders Juan Lechin, Mario Torres, and Guillermo Lora were detained by police on 24 March 1949. Lechin was arrested while he was on his way to Catavi.
2. At a cabinet meeting taking place on the night of 24 March, it was decided to release these leaders from custody. Because of the position taken by the Minister of Labor, Gaston Arduz, it was determined not to deport them at the present time. The cabinet also decided to require special safe conducts for all outsiders entering the mine area. Lechin, Torres, and Lora will not be given such safe conducts.
3. Army and police reinforcements have been sent to Catavi.
4. Leaders of the attacks on Radio Sucre and newspapermen in Catavi on 17 March are now being arrested and will be held for trial.

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